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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Ronald D. Myers, et al.	§	Examiner: Hruskoci, Peter A.
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Filed: October 31, 2003	§	Group Art Unit: 1724
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Serial No.: 10/699,559	§	Attorney Docket No.: PM 2001.051
	§	
Title: "Integrated Water Treatment And Flue Gas Desulfurization Process"	§	Confirmation No.: 4204
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed April 7, 2005 (the "Office Action").

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the arguments and amendments presented below.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.